

Berta Gardner – Democrat - Senate District I

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Spouse's Name:

Mike Gardner

Children's Names:

Cassandra, Jared, Dillon, and four young grandchildren.

Length of Residency in Alaska:

22 years

Education:

B.A. Psychology, U.C. Riverside

Political and Government Positions:

Alaska State Senate, 2013-present
Alaska State House of Representatives, 2004-2012
Rogers Park Community Council, Former President
Tudor Area Community Council, Vice-President

Business and Professional Positions:

Small Business Owner
Child Advocate
Bookkeeper

Service Organizations Membership:

PTA Boards at three ASD schools
Bridge Builders
Court Appointed Special Advocate for Children

Special Interests:

Fishing, traveling, singing, hiking—enjoying everything Alaska has to offer.

Other (Bio only):

I started out in public service as a mother and volunteer concerned about our children. Working through our neighborhood PTAs, I supported after-school safety programs and worked hard to ensure our children had important learning resources.

I have been a professional advocate for children in state custody, working to safeguard abused and neglected children.

Our neighborhoods have always been important to me. I lobbied on behalf of our neighborhoods to solve traffic, zoning and public safety issues, working toward strengthening the community.

Statement:

I came into politics wanting to stand up for our families and neighborhoods—and one way we do this is by providing a healthy economy and good jobs.

My priorities are to:

- Support and enhance citizen participation at all levels of public life and government.
- Develop Alaska's **resources for the benefit of all Alaskans**.
- Make **smart investments now** in schools and communities.
- **Support public education funding** that is steady and predictable, including UAA.
- **Protect our Permanent Fund and Dividend.**

Most importantly, I believe good government rests on the basis of **OPENNESS and INTEGRITY**.

A legislator's job is to make state government work for the people represented. I pride myself on working to understand and listen to my community – regardless of party affiliation, political opinion, or individual characteristics. I pledge to be available to and responsive to all my constituents.

I'm Berta... and I am still listening.

I would be honored to have your vote on November 4th!

